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## WORLD'S-1903-FAIR.

PRESIDENTIAL MACHINE-BUILDING. rs advices from Washington announce, in con-

on with impending appointments to seven imnt offices under the Government, that President velt is an avowed caudidate for the Republican action in 1904 and that the filling of these offices done with a view to securing effective Roose corkers for the next National Convention. ring to the truth that Mr. Roosevelt is but fol-

g established precedent in thus using the Presi-I appointive power for a continuance of power, old be unfair to assail him individually on the contained in these recent Washington dis-

ne the less, the evil is one which seems to call erious attention from the American people, in the dignity and usefulness of a President must cessity be seriously impaired by this undenlable dation of his high office.

thaps the only effective means of preventing the ag up of personal political machines through ronage at the disposal of the President, the obwhich is to secure for that President another of office, must be found in a provision declaring sident ineligible for a second term, save when administration shall have intervened.

this manner the Federal patronage cannot be tuted to personal machine-building, while, if the ent is genuinely desired for a second term by ople, they will see to it that he is recalled to the House. The situation now being created in ington emphasizes this truth with considerable It might be well for the people of this counconsider the significance of such a situation.

## TOO MUCH PROVINCIALISM.

le of the Middle West will not misunderthe indignation of Colonel Randlett, Indian in Anadarko, over the latest manifestation of nent income to the public schools. phobia manifested in the East. As agent he it the "pony smokes,"

y one familiar with the life of the Indians south up for the gullible provincials who have never east of the Alleghanies. That Western corrents of Eastern papers have profited by this ige of their renders is to the discredit of the

irty years ago it was no unusual thing for vis-Missouri and Kansas to inquire for the red Educated people-in the usual sense of the actually thought that protective measures were ary against wandering tribes of Indians. Even re are certain sections of New England which thousands of well-meaning people who would trip to the Rockies with some trepidation.

dually, however, this provincialism is dying as the country is beginning to depend more and upon the West for its industrial development wledge of actual conditions has become more 1. The settlement of public lands has scattered tribes of Indians. The interchange of traffic

in the East and West has made ignorance less

a general proposition it will be conceded by who have traveled and observed much that the eye? of the West are far better acquainted with the

They travel, read and understand. the provincialism of the East dies out Indian

tory and Oklahoma will be a place of unknown horrors to those whose ignorance tempts the writer of romances. Some time the credulity of Eastern provinclais will disappear and a new generation will know what can be expected from the West,

### DEMOCRACY'S FIGHT IN 1904.

There is nothing strange in the fact that New 3.09 York Democratic organizations are planning for gath- mitted to win at any primary. 

The national Democracy is now harmonious, well organized, aggressive in spirit and confident of the maintenance of Democratic principles by the people hand with ballots when ballots count. at the polls. The Republican organization has im-emit by bank draft, express money order or registered surrender to the temptation of imperialism and good citizens rally to them the nominations will be a Rejected communications cannot be returned under tion, repudiated the teachings of the Americans who been done by the authorities. founded the Republic, accepting, instead, the oppressive creed of monarchical Europe, thus committing chicanery. If bad men are nominated in either parthis Government to the doctrine of conquest and the ruling of weaker peoples by force against their con- have the remedy in their own hands. If they fail to sent. It is for American Democracy to wrest control profit by the weapon which is placed at their service of the Government from the hands of this unamerican | they should not complain at the result of the elecparty.

In the accomplishment of this great task American Democrats firmly believe that they will be supported 

Developments in this country since 1898 have nlarmed every thoughtful citizen. The truth is seen that we are no longer moving in American paths. The further truth is realized that we must abandon our new policies, which are the old policies of Europe, if what was held to be the manifest destiny of the American people and Government is to be at-

It is known that the Republican party cannot be trusted longer by genuine Americans. The hope of the country is in American Democracy, which holds steadfastly to the principles upon which this Government was established, by which it rose to the rank of the world's greatest Government and through which alone it can retain and increase that greatness along legitimate lines of progress.

A harmonious Democracy will undertake to win this fight for the people in 1904. The party will be harmonious because no genuine Democrat can remain out of its ranks when the roll call for the battle is read. Those not in line at that reading are not Democrats and have never been Democrats. They could not remain apart from such a line of battle if they were Democrats. The Democratic party in 1904 will be harmonious and its organization will present a solid and unbroken front to the enemy.

### THE NEW PETER AND HIS CRUSADE.

Mr. Arthur Snedley Greene of Greenwich, Conn., is a timely Peter the Hermit for an age in which material considerations are said to prevail utterly over the ideal and the worship of money has taken the place of high regard for better and nobler things.

Mr. Greene believes, as did Peter the Hermit, that Christendom should own the Holy Land. But, just as naturally as Peter advocated the sword in knightly hands as the weapon with which to wrest Jerusalem from the Paynim's desecrating grasp, so does Mr. Greene of Greenwich urge the use of money. The age of chivalry is past. The age of practicality is

When Peter preached the Crusade the knighthood of all Christendom splendidly responded. Fortunes were dissipated to place armies of the Cross in the field. Appalling privations were suffered by the gallant souls who went forth to fight for the Faith. The best blood of Europe drenched the soil upon which the Savior of mankind had preached his doctrine of peace on earth. There is no more soul-stirring page in history than that upon which the story of the Crusades is told.

Now let's wait and see how Mr. Greene of Greenwich and his present-day Crusade will fare. The proportion to the probability of Democratic success odds are about a thousand to one that all the capltalists of Christendom will fail him as never a true knight of the earlier Christendom failed Peter. Men tion and unceasing work throughout the State mean spend money for sentiment as freely as men used to Democratic victory. The Republican dissension canand effect. Millions are spent yearly for Christianity, but people will ask whether money in support of religion cannot be used better at home than in Palestine.

## OHIO'S IRREDUCIBLE DEBT.

Missouri Republicans who have read the tommyrot published by party organs concerning the "looted School Fund" will have some difficulty in appreciating the sincerity or good sense of the politicians who encourage that sort of talk in this State, but do not condemn the party responsible for the situation in Republican Ohio.

According to the Columbus Citizen, the Crafts bill, appropriating \$450,000 to "wipe out the bonded indebtedness of the State," was made a law-by its final passage in the Senate; but, says the Citizen, Ohio has an irreducible debt on which it must pay \$575,000 interest per year. This irreducible debt is the State School Fund, the money having been spent by the State for current expenses, leaving the good faith of the State as the only guarantee behind the fund.

The School Fund of Ohio is not even represented by certificates. When the proceeds of the public lands were turned into the treasury the money was used for current expenses, the account simply being carried on the books. Nothing but the good faith of the State and accurate bookkeeping assure a perma-

In Missouri the money received from the sale of alled upon to deny the stories of the annual lands and other sources has been turned into bonds. ons" of Indian girls, which were reported to be The negotiable bonds were canceled and nonnegotiable bonds, or certificates, issued in lieu thereof. For all practical purposes the certificates are est of St. Louis knows that such tales are equivalent to bonds. They are valid obligations of the commonwealth to the Board of Education and

cannot be repudiated by any process of law. If Missouri Republican politicians think that the Democrats should be turned out because of this businesslike treatment of the School Fund what must be their consistent conclusion in regard to the Republicans of Ohio?

If Missouri Democratic administration should be denounced Ohio Republicans should be hanged to the nearest tree. That State has an irreducible debt whose existence is only in the minds of those administering the School Fund.

Strange that this situation has not been made an for the raising of doubts regarding the wisdom of the handsome in the way of providing campaign boodle. Ohlo's School Fund's conduct now that the entire bonded debt of every kind is to be liquidated. Republicans of Missouri must marvel at this exhibition of criminality on the part of Ohio partisans. Nothing left of the School Fund but a debt of honor. A sad state of affairs, indeed. Can't the Missouri brand of Republican politician muster up the necessary courage to remove the beam out of his Ohio brother's

Of course, as a matter of fact, the Ohio School as a whole than are the people of any other | Fund is safely founded on the honor of the State. The income will be paid to the schools. But it is an irrefutable assertion that if the administration of the

souls who are regaled with the details of horrible been criminal. If Missouri executive and legislative put in the Penitentiary or lynched.

## PRIMARY REGISTRATION.

If the full benefit is to be derived from the recent work of the Grand Juries and the Circuit Attorney's office the citizens must continue the campaign at the baliot boxes. No man tainted with the suspicion of boodle or of susceptibility to boodle should be per-

Democrats must maintain their record in the cause ary poll books. Unless this is done the active agents and friends of those elements which have done so much to blacken the name of St. Louis will be on

It is hardly too much to say that the primary eleccolonialism, the party now in control of the Govern- disgrace to the party organizations. Shrewd and unment has repeatedly violated the American Constitu- principled men will try to nullify the good that has

Under the new law there is no opportunity for ty, citizens will have themselves to blame. They tions.

Let every good man register for the primaries. This duty can be done at the City Hall. The professional politicians are busy. Others cannot afford to be less diligent.

Senator Cullom of Illinois must be regarded as the pivotal figure upon whose proper working depends the credibility of the story that a combination has been effected to name Roesevelt and Yates as the Republican national ticket in 1904. If Cullom is willing, abandoning his feud against Yates, well and good. If not, there is little likelihood that Mr. Roosevelt himself can be "tolled" into the Yates corral. Don't you remember how Teddy once worked

"Uncle Shelby" into a Yates jollification that was intended to develop into a Roosevelt-Yates jollification, and thereby caused great chagriff and mortification to Yates and his followers? It may be well to wait awbile and watch Senator Cullom's attitude before putting too great faith in the latest Illinois story.

When the Republican majority in the Fifty-seventh Congress shall have passed the bill making a 20-percent reduction of the tariff rates on Cuban products a particularly shameless trick at the expense of Cuban trade and American honor will be recorded. According to Governor General Wood and other experts on CLOSING CONCERT OF THE the Cuban situation such a tariff reduction will not be sufficient to place Cuban industries on a prosperous basis. Cuban destitution caused by the destruction of trade and industry will continue. Yet the Republican tricksters will claim that they have adequately fulfilled this Government's pledge to that helpless people. The consequent situation will be one Paul," singularly impressive and sympato make any American blush for his country under the "con, game" rule of a party that has lost the

Thus far there is every reason for our citizens to feel proud of their city's record in the boodle prosecutions generated by the movement for municipal purification. The cases brought to the attention of the tra at its best, the evening's enjoyment Grand Jury have been searchingly investigated. Indictments have been returned where the evidence warranted, no matter how great the influence of the individual indicted. The subsequent conduct of trials in the courts has been fearless and competent. All this points to a final and convincing victory for the cause of municipal good government. The community's support and encouragement of Circuit Attorney Folk and the Grand Jury should be of a sustained enthusiasm in keeping with these gratifying

Democratic effort in Illinois should be vigorous in created by the fact of Républican dissension in that State. Aggressive leadership, harmonious organizaspend blood. But they look more closely at cause not be healed by a belated agreement of leaders for private gain.

> There cannot well be a too thorough discrediting of the foreign charge of the improper use of Danish Government funds in inducing American Congressmen to favor the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States. For this reason the investigation now under way should be peculiarly searching and complete.

## RECENT COMMENT.

#### Not "Enervated by the Climete." Boston Globe

Coming down to the comparatively recent time of the Civil War, the Southern armies showed themselves quite as alert and hardy as their enemies could desire them

The financial ability and the mechanical ingenuity with which the agricultural population of the South maintained for four years the Confederate Government, with its great forces on sea and land, properly belongs among the marvels of history. Certainly the leaders which that long struggle developed on the Southern side cannot be pointed to as illustrations of the deleterious influences of their

In vigor of mind and sternness of character Jefferso Davis, the Mirsissippian, well might pass for a product of New England. No latitude would be ashamed to own Robert E. Lee, while the militant plety of Stonewall Jackson would make him the perennial boast of Forefather Day oratory had he not been a son of the South.

## The Army Brevet Farce.

Philadelphia Inquirer.

It has taken four years to decide on the brevets that are due officers for gallant and meritorious services in the Spanish war, and now it appears that the labor has been in vain. There seems to be no law for conferring them in time of peace, and the Senate has held up the batch that has been sent for confirmation. It is not likely that the army will regret this very

much, for as at present conferred, brevets are a stingy reward of no tangble value. The nation bestows an alleged honor, which confers neither actual rank nor increased pay nor any other emolument, while, on the other hand, it has the appearance of being a settlement of all

## Foxy Mark's Shipsubidy Tactics

The ship-subsidy bill, according to the Washington correspondent of the Sentinel, has been laid on the shelfuntil after election. Mark Hanna expects it to pass the House at the short session next winter, when no election issue in Ohio. This is a particularly opportune time is at hand. Meantime the beneficiaries will, of course, do

## What Is Home Without a Mother?

Ohio State Journal. "Aunt Mary seems almost like a mother to me," said little Bobble, soberly, "Does she?" replied Bobbie's mother, very much

pleased. "Yee; she licks me every time I go to her house," concluded Bobbie.

## Well-Established Policy.

Both political parties have declared for municipal ownership, in Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mayor Wells was elected on that platform in St. Louis, so that the policy may be regarded as well established in our largest cities. There is no more need for a municipal ownership party will continue to disturb the peace of kind Missouri School Fund has been had that of Ohio has than for a good roads party, or public schools party.

# souls who are regaled with the details of horrible been criminal. If Missouri executive and legislative practices tolerated in the West. The Indian Territory and Oklahoma will be a place of unknown here but in the Penitentiary or lynched. SKETCH CLUB ENTERTAINMENT



MISS NAOMI WESTON CHILDERS. Who will appear in the St. Louis Sketch Club entertainment at Germania Theater to-night.

Miss Naomi Weston Childers, the 9-year- by the Woman's Benevolent Aid Society at of No. 1710 Bacon street, will appear in the benefit entertainment to be given by the St. Louis Sketch Club at the Germania Theater to-night.

## old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Childers, I the Odeon, February 18, created so much favorable comment that the little girl has had or a great many requests to perform in enter-tainments of various kinds. She will assist also in the dance and recital to be given by Mrs. Joseph W. Ward at Rose Hill Hall, April 3.

Miss Childers, singing at the concert given

# CHORAL-SYMPHONY SEASON.

For the last concert of its regular season, save the benefit concert of May 2, which ought to be an epochal success, the Choral-Symphony Society last night gave a prothetic.

The soloists were Mrs. Marle Kunkel Zimmerman, soprano; Mrs. Lawrence O. Weakley, contralto; Doctor Ion Jackson, tenor Mr. Homer Moore, Barytone, and Mr. Charles Galloway, organist. The singers proved to be finely adequate. With Mr. Ernst's chorus also in excellent condition, the gopranos especially so, and his orchesmay be taken as of unusual quality.

It is with little hesitation that I give to Doctor Jackson the first place for tone value and for appreciative work alike. His tenor notes are of singular purity, his phrasing a delight for exquisite delicacy and understanding, while his conception of the dramatic demands of the "St. Hearken to Me," and were steadily manifest thereafter. The delicacy of his method was excellently in evidence in the recitative, "And They Stoned Him," and in "Lo! I See the Heavens Opened," while in the opening of the second part, "And His Companions Which Jorneyed With Him," he was admirably effective, Also was his voice distinguished for sweetness in the Paul and Barnahas duct, "Now We Are Ambassadors in the Name of Christ," one of the master melodies of the "St. Paul" composition.

Mrs. Zimmerman's soprano is sweet and Mrs. Zimmerman's soprano is sweet and true and was heard to the best advantage in the exquisite aria, "Perusalem, thou that killest the prophets," a most musical and delicately trying number. The con-

raito has but one genuine opportunity in "St. Paul," the recitative and "He jour-neyed with companions toward Damasyet Mrs. Weakley scored a high class success, her bell-like tones being heard with delight in their exceptional richness and passionate resonance. Mr Homer Moore's best work was in the arin. "O, God, have mercy upon me," and in the Paul and Barnabas duet. In the deeper and more sonorous "Consume them all Lord Sabaoth," his voice did not seem to possess quite the necessary massiveness, yet he gave a technically correct interpre-

If Mr. Ernst can stimulate his male voices to rival in spirit and initiative the female, he will come near to having all desirable in a chorus. The work last night was eminently satisfactory, save that these male voices were deficient in the onset at critical moments, lacking in aggressiveness. This is a great pity, because the voices are good. There was one mome in the chorus of Christians last night, "Lord, thou alone art God," when the contraito note was sounded with splendid ef-fect. There was scarcely a time when the opranos did not more than contribute their share toward the choral value of the score. Surely the complete chorus can be brought up to this standard, one hopes.

Among the most praiseworthy efforts of
Mr. Ernst's singers may be noted the
choral, "To God on high be thanks and
praise," the tamultuous chorus of the Hebrews, "Take them away," which was a mirably given, and the tender choral, "T thee, O. Lord, I yield my spirit

The least effective work of the charms was in the final number, "Not only unto him." Yet, while the opening of this number was a distinct disappointment, the singers reached an impressive volume in the closing strain, "All ye, his angels, praise ye the Lord."

In its full presentment this imposing Men lelssohn oratorio was satisfying beyond the average. The soloists, the choros, the orchestra and Director Ernst alike contributed to this general result. And now let us make up our minds that the Choral-Symphony benefit concert on the evening of Friday, May 2, shall be a record-breaking success financially. The organization finely deserves such a proof of popular apprecia-

### **NUMEROUS GAY GOWNS** IN THE ODEON AUDIENCE.

Oratorio nights of the Choral-Symphony are always sure to be greeted by large audiences, composed not alone of the faithful season subscribers, but of many others Many boxes were filled, and, despite the

inclement night, many gay gowns appeared. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Macy came early for a chat behind scenes with Mrs. Zimmer

man, one of the soloists. Mrs. Macy and Mrs. Zimmerman were girlhood friends in Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Girard Meir, back from New York, came with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Knapp were in a

Miss Isabel January, in white silk, was a guest in Mrs. Mitchell Scott's box.

Mrs. Charles Robland came with Alton Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Udell were in their ustomary seats. Frederick Ricioff joined a party of friends.

In the Simmons box were Mrs. Simmons, the Misses Glenn and George Simmons, Mrs. Wright, in blue moire velour, and Miss Jessle Wright, in white, came together. Alexander Cochran, Miss Ella Cochran and the Misses Kennard had a box. Mrs. Emma Copelin had a box, with

Doctor Saxyl came with friends. The Misses Semple, in light gowns, were

in the parquet. Miss Stella Schnaider, in ecru crepe, was in the parquet.
Mrs. McKittrick had Mr. and Mrs. George Markham and Walter McKittrick in her

Mrs. Markham wore ecru nun's veiling. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Tilton occupied the Stanard box with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bollman were in the parquet, near Mr. and Mrs. Horace Dibble. Miss Olive Simpkins came with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kilpatrick and the

Misses Kilpatrick were in their box.

Mr. and Mrs. Mckittrick Jones and Mr. and Mrs. John David Davis were in a right box, . Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Van Blarcom had in score is of the first order. These truths be-came apparent in his earliest recitative. their box Mr. and Mrs. Albin Nicholis and Stephen's "Men. Brethren and Pathers, Hearken to Me," and were steadily mani-nun's veiling and Miss Ford, a white satin gown; while Mrs. Van Blarcom was in pink

brocade, over flounces of green.

Miss Jessie Ringen, in pale gray crepe. appliqued in lace, came with her father, Mr. John Ringen. Mr. Henry Blossom brought his daughter, Miss Susie Blossom.

Mrs. Thomas West was in the West box with Miss Carroll West, who wore pale Mr. and Mrs. Walter West chaperoned a party of young people in the right tier. Miss Blackman was a guest in this box. Mrs. West wore pink crepe, with lace and resettes of black velvet. Miss Blackman

was in white. Mr. and Mrs. John Schroers were in the left tier, with friends. Robert Brookings had two guests with

Others in the parquet were: Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Buckner, Mrs. Sproule, Miss Eliza Sproule, Mrs. Allison and Miss Frances Allison, Mrs. Harry Walker, Mrs. Lewis Marlon McCall, Mr. Sterling P. Jones and

## BIG ADVANCE IN ZINC ORE. Miners Believe \$40 a Ton Will Be

Miss Jones.

Received This Week. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Joplin, Mo., April 8.-Last week's top price, \$37.50 per ton, has been refused by the zinc mine owners this week. Not one accepted this high price for his ore. It is be lieved that ere will bring \$10 per ton this week, and producers of high-grade ore are holding for that price. This is the highest noting for that price. This is the highest price pold for one for nearly three years, and is creating great activity in mining circles, besides enticing many eastern capitalists to this district.

It is impossible to say where zinc ore prices may advance to, for the smeiters are wanting more ore than the mines are producing. This condition is due to the increased demand for zinc.

## METROPOLITAN WON AT DALLAS Fierce War Between Rival Street

Railway Companies Ended. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dalias, Tex., April 3.-The City Council to-night granted the Metropolitan Street Railway Company a franchise over Main street and a number of the suburban thoroughfares. The new company is represent oughfares. The new company is represent-ed here by Manager Bonta of the Dallas Electric Company and is backed by Boston capital. Its application was bitterly fought by the Dallas Consolidated Electric Street Railway Company. The City Council made the new company deposit a forfeit of \$5,000 in money, refusing to take certified checks or other collateral. Work must be begun within thirty days or the city keeps the for-feit, and a heavy franchise bonus must be paid.

### DE WET A BARRIER TO PEACE May Be Influencing Steyn to Avoid Schalk-Burger.

Kroenstad, Orange River Colony, April 1.-The Transvani delegates are still be as well. Last night's gathering at the it is believed that General DeWet is in-Odeon was one of the best of the present fluencing President Steyn not to meet acting President Schalk-Burger.

It is pointed out that once before when hard pressed the Transvaalers showed a nard present the Transvallers showed a desire for peace, but this was promptly overridden by President Steyn. Nothing in the present situation, so fas as known, indicates that President Steyn is less irre-concilable than previously.

## Seminole Indian Nominees.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

South McAlester, I. T., April 3.—Representatives of the different bands of the Seminole Tribes of Indians met at Wewoka yesterday for the purpose of nominating candidates for Principal Chief and Second Chief. For Principal Chief John F. Brown and Hulbutta Micco are the nominees, and for Second Chief K. N. Kinkehee and Thomas Little.

## TWO CHINESE EDICTS SPEAK FOR PROGRESS

One Bids Officials to Persuade Women to Do Away With Custom of Foot-Binding.

Washington, April 3 - The State Department made public to-day copies of two Chinese edicts, which were sent by United States Minister Conger at Pekin, under

date of February 6. These edicts, gays Mr. Conger, indicate the leasening of the bonds of old custom and the present trend towards a new order of things. The first edict removes the prohibition of intermurriage between Manchus and Chinese, indicating a desire to emphasize less strongly the distinction between rulers and ruled.

It also blds Chinese officials to persuade Chinese women to do away with the old custom of foot-binding, and let their ex-tremities grow as nature intended. The practice, says the edict, is "an injury to the good order of creation."

The other edict is in line with the policy declared in a number of recent edicts, and contemplates the sending abroad of competent Chinamen to study Western methods in to extend the international relations of the Empire.

### HAPPENINGS IN SOCIETY AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Beniah Ione Edom, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Edom of Wagoner place, and Mr. Adolph Branden-berger of Jefferson City will be married on Wednesday, April 9, the wedding taking place at the home of the bride. Miss Edom has frequently visited in Jefferson City, where she is very well known, and therefore will so immediately into a circle of friends, who are preparing to entertain her

MISS BEYERS'S SURPRISE.

A surprise party was given to Miss Adelia Reyers of North St. Louis, at her home on Wednesday evening. Besides the games that were played, each gentleman trimmed a lady's hat, the prize being won by Fred B. Howarth. Among those who participated in the evening's enjoyment

Misses-Dora Elfert, Fannie Holligass, Louisa Holligass, Alice Howarth, Edna Barlow, Grace Chamberlain, Sue Sickles, Lamount,

Messieurs-Bert Strasmer, Will Clement, C. Wagner, G. Beyers, Frank Nottenbrok, Otto Hilpert, Fred Howarth, Will Berhning. MISS SCHNAIDER'S TEA.

Miss Charlotte Schnalder gave a tea on Wednesday for Mrs. Fred Smith of New York. The parlors and dining-retrimmed with Easter lilles and l lilles and hyacinths. Among the guests were: Misses-

Flota Meyer, Belle Wright, Amy Holmes, Ida Becker, Lucille Martin, Ruth Guigon, Georgie Obert, Carrie Kaufman, Norinne Steward, Lydia Weber, Elsie Graf. Marie Sweeny,
Cora Sutter,
Louise Jansen,
Josie Jansen,
Emma Brinkmann,
Lotta Tiemeyer,
Alvina Pollock,
Ciaret Barthoid,
Edan Bleve Edna Rigge, Alice Miller, Adele Miller. Harry Pollock, William Tiemeyer, Fred Smith.

MRS. CAIRNS ENTERTAINS. Mrs. Mabel Aquart Cairns entertained at her home, No. 6742 Arsenal street, before taking her departure from the city. The Misses Leontine and Ada Cairns assisted. Among the guests were: Mesdames-

Cuirns, Ryan. Misses— Lee Cairns, Daisy Bather, Eva Brown, Ada Cairns, Nona Frazer, Lu Chapin, Ethel Woods,

P. Creecy,
J. Gelger,
W. Woods,
E. Gelger,
A. Williams,
H. Riley,
Mr. and Mrs. Duggar.

DAFFODIL CLUB MEETING. The Daffodil Club held its regular meng last evening. The following memberer present:

lisses— Emma Lay, Mayme Gray, Margaret Knowiton, Sodie Friel, Messicurs— Jennie Knowlton, Dolly Herman, Mae Herman, Grace Chamberlain, B. Reese, Ed Gilman, F. E. Grant. William Ritter,

George Meier, L. E. Gramlich, PERSONAL MENTION.

The Maryland Club will give a dance on Friday evening, April 11. Mrs. Fred Smith of New York is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Steinwender,

Mrs. Robert Linton and little son of Walden, Mo., are visiting Mrs. Linton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Edom, No. Wagoner place.

Miss Josephine Salorgne, who has spent the winter with Miss Benoist of McPherson avenue, has gone to her home in Nor-

Miss Helen Neel entertained Miss Carrie Cock and her bridesmalds at luncheon yes-terday afternoon. Mrs. William Wetteroth and her mother,

## Mrs. Caroline Schultz, and sister, Miss Ma-tilde Schultz, have gone to Dullas, Tex. BASEBALL PLAYER'S HEROISM.

Eleven Miners From Death. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Joplin, Mo., April 2.-By the daring beroism of Richard Bayless, a professional ball player of the Joplin club, eleven lives were saved to-day. Eleven miners were working in the Wolcott zinc mine near Jop-

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working in the Wolcott zinc mine near Jop-lin this morning when the hoister-house at the mine caught fire. Bayless, who was near, saw that the miners would be suf-focated unless warned speedily.

Regardless of danger he rushed into the flames and signaled the men to be hoisted out. He stood in the burning building at the hoister and rescued the men from the mine, but was burned severely and was overcome by heat and smoke. His body was dragged from the flames just as the building collapsed. His burns are severe, but he will probably recover.

### HIGH WATER VS. TRUE LOVE. Indiana Couple Faced Death in a

Flood and Escaped. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Evansville, Ind., April L.-Fred Tieman and Miss Rosie Beard, living a few miles below town, in trying to reach a preacher's house last night to be married, were forced nouse last night to be married, were forced to cross a long streak of bottom land covered with about ten feet of water.

The buggy was upset and the occupants thrown out. Theman held his sweetheart in his left arm while he cut the harness, freeing the horses from the buggy. The lovers then held on to the horse's tail until shore was reached, a distance of nearly a mile. The wedding ceremony was postponed until to-morrow.

## WOODY TRIAL IS CLOSED.

Defendant Says He Shot De Priest Because He Spat on Him.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Hartville, Mo., April 3.—The testimony in the trial of Abe Woody for killing Edward De Priest ended to-night. About thirty-five witnesses were examined. Woody told on witnesses were examined. Woody told on the stand why he shot De Priest. He stated that De Priest met him at the door of the excursion train, removed a cigar from his mouth and spat in his face and threatened him, whereupon he shot him. In this statement Woody was corrobor-ated by two or three witnesses, who was present when the tragedy occurred.